## BENTONITE CARBON COMPOSITE POLYVINYL-COATED WIRE ELECTRODE FOR LEAD DETECTION AS AN ENVIRONMENTAL SENSOR

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## **Abstract**

The composite carbon –polyvinyl chloride (C-PVC) with bentonite (natural zeolite) as an ionophore in a selective and sensitive coated wire electrode (CWE) for lead determination by potentiometric method is demonstrated. The sensor shows a good Nernstian slope of  $29.42 \pm 0.5$  mV per decade in wide linear range concentration from  $1.0 \times 10^{-7}$  to  $1.0 \times 10^{-3}$  M for Pb(NO<sub>3</sub>)<sub>2</sub>. The detection limit of this electrode  $5.0 \times 10^{-8}$  M of Pb(NO<sub>3</sub>)<sub>2</sub>, and was found to be very selective, and usable in pH range of 3.0 - 6.7. Selectivity was obtained over 19 various metal ions. The electrode is reproducible and stable for a period of three months. The proposed electrode has been used as an indicator electrode in potentiometric titration with EDTA . This kind of CWE was successfully applied in determination of lead in industrial wastewater and river's water as real sample.

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